

REMARKS

The Office Action has alleged that claims 1,2, 5-24 comprise three distinct species: Species I (claims 8, 9 and 22, Fig. 1), Species II (claims 1, 2, 7, 15, 16 and 21, Fig. 2), and Species III (claims 10 and 22, Fig. 3). Applicants hereby elect Species II (claims 1, 2, 7, 15, 16 and 2, Fig. 2) for prosecution, without traverse. This election is made without prejudice to Applicants' right to file divisional applications directed to the non-elected inventions. Claims 5 and 20 are generic.

A prompt and favorable action on the merits of this application is now respectfully requested.

No fee is believed to be due in connection with this amendment and response. If, however, any fee is deemed to be payable, you are hereby authorized to charge any such fee to Deposit Account No. 20-0778.

Respectfully submitted,

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